

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Serial No.:     Not Yet Known  
Filed         :     Herewith  
Title         :     COMPOUNDS SPECIFIC TO ADENOSINE A<sub>1</sub> RECEPTOR AND  
                      USES THEREOF

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Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND INFORMATION  
DISCLOSURE STATEMENT FOR THE ACCOMPANYING  
CONTINUATION APPLICATION FILED UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)**

The above-identified application claims the benefit of U.S. Application No. 10/000,280, filed November 30, 2001. The issue fee was paid in connection with U.S. Serial No. 10/000,280 on November 5, 2003, however, the patent has not yet issued. Consequently, U.S. Application No. 10/000,280 is copending with this continuation application.

Please amend the subject application as follows: